



MELODEONS, &c., &c.

GEO. HALL, at Ashtabula, Ohio, informs the citizens of those desirous to purchase instruments during the spring or summer—of the best and most durable instruments, and of the best and most moderate for the Spring and summer trade, as he has been in study for half my life time, to cut and cure at the time and in the manner most palatable to animals, and at the same time most nutritive. I believe nothing of feed kind is nutritive, unless it has a good flavor or smell; therefore it is important, both for our own interests and the comfort of the dumb animals under our care, that we should have their winter food prepared in the best manner we can to retain a good flavor. I will state my reasons for this opinion: I was informed long ago, by one who I supposed knew, that to make the tobacco plant a narcotic, it had to be gathered at a certain time, and cured in a peculiar manner. If not so gathered and cured, it would be insipid, or lose its narcotic quality, and would not be used by man; and that beautiful flower, the fox-glove, requires to be gathered at a certain stage of its growth, and cured, in a very peculiar manner, being dried in the dark, and then culled Digitalis, a powerful medicine for both man and beast. So it is with other medicinal flowers and herbs; they need a certain treatment, both in the time of gathering and curing; otherwise they are worthless. Such reading led me to try, and if possible find the best time for cutting and manner of curing hay; and I doubt not, had it been made for man, that centuries before the 19th, it would have been a settled point by man or good housewives, as to which is the best time of cutting and curing it, to answer our tastes.

I will now give my time of cutting, and also manner of curing when cut by scythes, as also the manner which I think is dispensable when cut by machines.

As to time of cutting, I know that every farmer will agree with me, that nothing they ever fed to cattle, (that are fairly fed during the winter,) will put on as much fat, or increase their weight near as much in a given time, (say two months,) as rich pasture. Therefore I argue that grass should be cut for hay, and not let it stand until it becomes dry before it is cut. If I could cut all my hay in a day or two, or a little longer, I would let timothy stand until the seed was formed, but still quite soft; but as that cannot be accomplished in the time mentioned, I begin when in full flower.

When cut with the scythe, and the grass heavy, I did all the curing in the swath. Grass will stand a good deal of rain, without injury, if left in the swath, when cut green. When I intend to take it in, if it is thoroughly dry on the lower side, if it wets from rain I turn the swath over before raking, if even somewhat green on the upper side of the swath; but if it rains half fallen, I rake it up, and took it into the barn. In that way it took a sweat, if a heavy crop, in the swath, and another sweat in the mow; and I hold it indispen-

sable, for either sheep or cattle, should have sweat, and it is equally requisite as that tobacco or fox-glove should have their peculiar modes of curing and time of cutting.

If a light crop cut with a scythe, as soon as a little wet, I raked it up, in good sized or rather large cocks, let it take a good sweat in the cocks, and let them alone until dry enough to take in. (Timothy hay cut green and cocked in a green state, will stand much rain without much injury if let alone.) In this way it always made fine flavored hay, and my stock always did well upon it.

But since we all around here cut our grass with machines drawn by horses, the mode of curing must be somewhat different to make fine flavored or dry hay. The machine cuts and spreads it as evenly as it grows on the ground; therefore it dries much more suddenly than if cut by scythes, and the horse-rake ought to be started a few hours—more or fewer, according to the temperature—after the machine is started, and the grass put in cocks, and not left until the dew goes off next morning. If a high temperature, your hay will then be so dry that it will not sweat; hence no flavor and less nutrient. The trouble with these men who make a trial of cutting green, is that they dry it so much in the hot sun, that it cannot sweat in either cock or mow. I have seen stacks of hay in many places, the hay having been put up so dry, that if my arm had been long enough I could have put my hand through them, and that after they had stood for months, and the hay had no more flavor, (except the little ripe seed left on,) than brash from a dead tree. I want to see no stacks or hay mows put up for me but will in a week or ten days become so solid that it is with difficulty you can push your hand into them once.

Now I have given you as lucidly as I can my views and reasons for deviating from the rules laid down by far more learned men, as to the time for cutting and manner of cutting timothy hay, and indeed all other kinds of hay I have had experience with at this hot climate. Yet I have no doubt but some of these men, possessed of good talents, will criticize my mode not a little, but all I ask is, that my brother working farmers will prove me and try me and see if I know anything of the true principles of making and time of curing hay. Let them follow my plan strictly, and then either prove or condemn it, according as they find it.—JOHN JOHNSON, in Cuyahoga Gentlemen.

The absurd notions that some people have of the mere matter-of-fact of marriage, is illustrated by the following, which the Cincinnati Enquirer describes as having taken place in that city a few days ago:

A lady came to this city a day or two ago, and made application to a lawyer for divorce, saying she was from the State of New York, and had come here for the purpose of effecting a separation, expecting to do so in about twenty-four hours. She appeared much disappointed when told she must be a resident in the State for a year, before she could obtain her wish, and said that if she had to wait as long as that, she would return to her husband again, as the cause of their quarrel was only about a bout, which she wished to throw away, and he had urged her to wear it another month. Bratton had shown him, she thought he might consider his promise a little while longer.

I know nothing that more moves us to tears than the hearty bluntness of a dog, when something in human beings has pain, or is chilled up.

Nothing can excuse a want of charity to a living creature in distress. It is poor, perhaps, through his own folly, or that of his executors; and we are rich, perhaps, through our own rags, or that of our executors. We need not often insist on the difference of merit as the reason for a difference of condition.

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